**Playfields in the States with the Central Financial Assistance**

1764. SHRI SHANTI TYAGI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of newly constructed playgrounds in the States with Central assistance during the two years of the Seventh Plan, State-wise;

(b) the number of playfields developed with the Central financial assistance during the same period, State-wise;

(c) whether Government have any plans to provide other facility also besides the construction and development of playfields; and

(d) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS AND WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) to (d) The Government of India have a scheme of grants to State Sports Councils, etc, under which financial assistance is extended to State Governments, State Sports Councils, etc. in the development and creation of sports infrastructure such as sports stadia, swimming pool, gymnasia asd sports complex, etc. besides play-fields.

The Central Government have so far rendered financial assistance for development of play-fields in the first two years of the Seventh Plan as below:—

| Name of State | Central assistance given for the development and construction of playgrounds/playfieelds during first two years of Seventh Fives Year Plan (so far) |
|---|---|
| 1 | 2 |
| Andhra Pradesh | 3 |
| Assam | 39 |
| Gujarat | 6 |
| Harayana | 3 |
| Karnataka | 16 |
| Kerala | 43 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 63 |
| Maharashtra | 18 |
| Meghalaya | 2 |
| Manipur | 22 |
| Nagaland | 1 |
| Orissa | 30 |
| Punjab | 18 |
| Rajasthan | 11 |
| Sikkim | 4 |
| Tamilnadu | 64 |
| West Bengal | 31 |
| Mizoram | 10 |

The number of play-fields constructed and developed will be known when utilisation certificates from State Governments are received. These are not yet due in most cases.

**Creation of posts in Pondicherry Central University**

1765. SHRI T. R. BALU: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of posts created after the formation of the Pondicherry Central University with post-wise and date of appointment;

(b) whether it is a fact that the posts have been filled after calling the list from Employment Exchanges; and

(c) if so, what was the criterion taken by the Government in this regard?